

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-8. (Cancelled)

9. (Previously presented) A method of aging a plasma display panel having a scan electrode, a sustain electrode and a data electrode, said method comprising:

performing an aging discharge by applying a voltage having an alternate voltage component at least between the scan electrode and the sustain electrode;

wherein a leading edge of a waveform of voltage applied to the scan electrode has a gradually ascending slope, and a trailing edge of a waveform of voltage applied to the sustain electrode has a gradually descending slope.

10. (Currently amended) A method of aging a plasma display panel having a scan electrode, a sustain electrode and a data electrode, said method comprising:

performing an aging discharge by applying a voltage having an alternate voltage component at least between the scan electrode and the sustain electrode;

wherein the aging discharge where the scan electrode acts as a ~~node~~an anode and the sustain electrode acts as a cathode is weaker than the aging discharge where the scan electrode acts as a cathode and the sustain electrode acts as a ~~node~~an anode.